

WE CLAIM:

1. An article of jewelry including two or more gemstones, the article comprising:

a seat;

a gemstone positioned on the seat;

two prongs positioned one on each side of the gemstone, each prong of the two prongs having a bezel formed therein, the gemstone retained within the bezel;

an additional seat;

an additional gemstone positioned on the seat;

two additional prongs positioned one on each side of the additional gemstone, each prong of the two additional prongs having a bezel formed therein, the additional gemstone retained within the bezel; and

a shared prong positioned between the gemstone and the additional gemstone, the shared prong having a bezel formed on each side to partially engage with a respective inner edge of the gemstone and the additional gemstone, the article of jewelry including an exposed and unbound outer edge of the gemstone and an exposed and unbound outer edge of the additional gemstone, each exposed and unbound outer edge opposite the shared prong and the respective inner edge.

2. The article of jewelry of Claim 1 wherein the seat includes a conical taper that engages with the gemstone.

3. The article of jewelry of Claim 1 further comprising:
a second additional seat;
a second additional gemstone positioned within the seat; and
a second shared prong positioned between the additional gemstone and
the second additional gemstone.

4. The article of jewelry of Claim 1 further comprising:
an array of additional seats;
a corresponding array of additional gemstones positioned within the
respective seats, each additional gemstone of the array of additional gemstones
positioned between two prongs; and
a shared prong positioned between each additional gemstone of the array
of additional gemstones so that each gemstone along an outer edge of the article of
jewelry includes an exposed outer edge.

5. The article of jewelry of Claim 4 wherein the array of additional
gemstones are formed in a ring shape.

6. The article of jewelry of Claim 4 wherein the array of additional
gemstones are formed in a lattice.

7. The article of jewelry of Claim 6 wherein the lattice is positioned on a ring.

8. The article of jewelry of Claim 6 wherein the lattice is positioned on a pendant.

9. An article of jewelry comprising:
a plurality of gemstones, each gemstone of the plurality of gemstones positioned in a seat;
a pair of prongs positioned one on each side of each gemstone;
a shared prong positioned between each gemstone; and
each gemstone positioned at a peripheral edge of the article of jewelry including an exposed outside edge.

10. The article of jewelry of Claim 9 wherein the seat comprises a tapered ring.

11. The article of jewelry of Claim 9 wherein the plurality of gemstones are formed in a ring.

12. The article of jewelry of Claim 9 wherein the plurality of gemstones are formed in a lattice.

13. The article of jewelry of Claim 9 wherein each prong of the pair of prongs includes a bezel formed along an inside edge of the prong, an edge of the gemstone fitting within the bezel.

14. The article of jewelry of Claim 9 wherein the shared prong includes a pair of bezels formed along each of two opposite sides of the shared prong, the pair of bezels accommodating inner edges of adjacent gemstones of the plurality of gemstones.

15. A ring comprising:
a plurality of gemstones aligned in a row;
a pair of prongs, each prong of the pair of prongs positioned on opposite sides of each gemstone of the plurality of gemstones; and
a shared prong positioned between each gemstone in the row, so that an outer edge of each outer gemstone in the row is exposed.

16. The ring of Claim 15 further comprising:
a second row of a second plurality of gemstones positioned adjacent the
row.

17. The ring of Claim 16 further comprising:
a third row of a third plurality of gemstones positioned adjacent the
second row.

18. The ring of Claim 15 wherein the plurality of gemstones are
formed in an array.

19. The ring of Claim 18 wherein the array forms a lattice.

20. The ring of Claim 18 wherein the array is one of generally planar
along one face of the ring and curved around a circumference of the ring.

21. A gemstone presentation comprising:
a plurality of gemstones aligned in a row;
a pair of prongs, each prong of the pair of prongs positioned on opposite sides of each gemstone of the plurality of gemstones; and
a shared prong positioned between each gemstone in the row, so that each adjacent pair of gemstones is at least partially retained by the shared prong.

22. The gemstone presentation of Claim 21 further comprising:
a second row of a second plurality of gemstones positioned adjacent the row.

23. The gemstone presentation of Claim 21 further comprising:
a third row of a third plurality of gemstones positioned adjacent the second row.

24. The gemstone presentation of Claim 21 wherein the plurality of gemstones are formed in an array so that adjacent pairs of gemstones share the shared prong.